Hostaria da Vittorio is a holiday tradition for many island visitors and residents

End of the year in Aruba is a time when the island typically welcomes regular repeat visitors, who have seen and done it all and know what they like. Many of them have made Hostaria da Vittorio their dinner spot of choice on more than one occasion during their stay, but particularly for New Year's Eve.

Lloyd and Nancy Malsin and their friends Jill and Gary, all from Long Island, New York have been sharing New Year's in Aruba for the last thirteen years, and with Hotaria's owner Vittorio Muscarelli and his brother------ since the restaurant first opened. For them, it is a New Year's Eve tradition, as they know they can always count on it for a wonderful, memorable evening.

Vittorio, the most authentic Italian chef on the island who established the reputations of Aruba's top Italian restaurants in the past, opened his own charming place in Palm Beach about five years ago, and it has been a hit with discerning island visitors ever since.

Additionally enjoying New Year's Eve at the Italian eatery was "Wild Billy" Chalfin, with his brother Jorden and friends. Billy is an editor of Zagat, "The Web's Most Trusted Guide to Restaurant Reviews and Ratings" and after a scrumptious appetizer declared he would give the restaurant at least a "24 and a half rating out of a possible 27, by their set standards." That is high praise indeed from an established restaurant review professional.

The rest of the guests may not have been professional gourmets, but they know fine food, and what they like, so that is why they return to Hostaria da Vittorio year after year!